

House Resolution 1858

By: Representatives Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, Hill of the 180th, Brooks of the 63rd, Morgan of the 39th, Stanley-Turner of the 53rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mrs. Daisy L. Harris and inviting her to appear before the House of
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, for a quarter of a century, Mrs. Daisy L. Harris has been an invaluable
4 contributor to health care in Georgia as president and chief executive officer of West End
5 Medical Centers, Inc.; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Harris, who received her Bachelor of Science from Livingstone College
7 in Salisbury, North Carolina, and her Master of Arts degree from Atlanta University, has 40
8 years of experience in health and human services, during which time she has gained a stellar
9 reputation as an inspiring leader who knows how to get things done; and

10 WHEREAS, in the more than 25 years she has served West End Medical Center, Mrs. Harris
11 has overseen the institution's evolution from a small facility with a \$500,000 budget and 15
12 staff members to a thriving community health center with a \$10 million budget and a staff
13 of 100; and

14 WHEREAS, a compassionate and caring professional, Mrs. Harris is devoted to serving those
15 in need in her community and beyond; last year, she and her staff were at the front line in the
16 effort to provide medical care to Hurricane Katrina evacuees in Atlanta; and

17 WHEREAS, outside of her demanding position with West End Medical Center, Mrs. Harris
18 is an adjunct professor at the Morehouse School of Medicine and serves on the boards of
19 Atlanta Medical Center and the Atlanta Regional Health Forum; and

20 WHEREAS, as Women's History Month, March, 2006, is set aside to celebrate and honor
21 those women who have contributed their time and talents to the betterment of this state and

1 nation, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to pay tribute to the many
2 accomplishments of this extraordinary lady.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body join to commend Mrs. Daisy L. Harris on her outstanding
5 leadership for West End Medical Centers, Inc., and to thank her for her invaluable
6 contributions to health care in Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mrs. Daisy L. Harris is invited to appear before the
8 House of Representatives for purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving an
9 appropriate copy of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the House.